

Delaware Lawsuit Settlement: Minimum Actions Needed for Compliance

	Fiscal Year 2021 (School Year 2020-21)	Fiscal Year 2022 (School Yr 2021-22)	Fiscal Year 2023 (School Yr 2022-23)	Fiscal Year 2024 (School Yr 2023-24)	Fiscal Year 2025 (School Yr 2024-25)	Future Years
Opportunity Funding	\$75M over 3 years	Increase to not less than \$35 million and shall provide \$5M of this for mental health or reading supports to schools with high concentrations of low-income and English Learners students. Legislation to make permanent & require LEAs to provide annual report in FY 23	Funding not less than \$35 million and shall provide \$5M of this for mental health and reading supports.	Funding not less than \$50 million and shall provide \$5M of this for mental health and reading supports.	Funding not less than \$60 M and shall provide \$5M of this for mental health and reading supports.	Grows in accordance with Low Income and English Learner student growth
K-3 Basic Special Education	None			Propose legislation via budget epilogue to change funding structure to be the same as the funding structure for basic special education students in grades 4-12		

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Early Education: Early Childhood Assistance Program (ECAP)	\$6.1 million			ECAP double to \$12.2 million	Keep at \$12.2 million	
Teacher Recruitment and Retention	Loan Forgiveness and Scholarships/Grants		\$4 million commitment in addition to FY21 allocations	\$4 million commitment in addition to FY21 allocations	\$4 million commitment in addition to FY21 allocations	
Ombudsperson	None in place	Create and fund one group in each county				
Equity Statement for Capital Projects	Not in place	No date specified				
Independent Funding Assessment		Include sufficient funding	Include sufficient funding	Complete by January 2024		

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	Fiscal Year 2024 (School Yr 2023-24)	Governor's Proposed Budget FY24	Fiscal Year 2025 (School Yr 2024-25)	Future Years
Opportunity Funding	Required: Funding not less than \$50 million and shall provide \$5M of this for mental health and reading supports	Proposed: \$53 million: \$45M overall \$8M mental health supports	Funding not less than \$60 M and shall provide \$5M of this for mental health and reading supports.	Grow in accordance with Low Income and English Learner student growth
Early Education: Early Childhood Assistance Program (ECAP)	Required: ECAP double to \$12.2 million	Proposed: \$12.2M for ECAP	Keep at \$12.2 million	

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Teacher Recruitment and Retention	Required: \$4 million in commitment in addition to FY21 allocations to enhance recruitment and retention in high needs schools	Proposed: \$4 million commitment	\$4 million commitment in addition to FY21 allocations	
Independent Funding Assessment	Complete by January 2024			

Delaware Lawsuit Settlement: Minimum Actions Completed

	Status: Complete
K-3 Basic Special Education: change funding structure for K-3 basic special education to match funding structure for basic special education students in grades 4-12	House Bill 86 Signed 7/30/2021
Ombudsperson: Create and fund one position/office in each county	Program funded in FY 22
Equity Statement for Capital Projects: DOE will require school districts to provide an Equity Statement in regards to capital projects	Statement requirement in place February 2021